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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An ashtray for automobiles exhibits a holder and a removable ashtray that is inserted in the holder, whereby a lifting mechanism is provided for lifting the ashtray from a usage position into an easy-grip position for removal. The lifting mechanism includes an actuator element, which is adjustable at the holder and a transmission element acting together with it. A lifting mechanism exhibiting a simple, cost-efficient construction is created in that the transmission element is in an operating connection with a pivotal lever hinged to the holder in such a manner that, when shifting the actuator element, the pivotal lever makes an arc shaped movement, during the course of which a rounded upper end area of the pivotal lever comes into contact with the underside of the ashtray, and moves it up towards the easy gripposition for removal.